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1. LEAD STORY IN JANUARY 14 HURRIYET, TURKEY'S LARGEST CIRCULATION

DAILY (471,000), REPORTS THAT TWO TOP SECRET DOCUMENTS HAVE RECENTLY
DISAPPEARED FROM THE OFFICE OF THE PRIME MINISTER. THE ARTICLE
INDICATES THAT WHILE THE DISAPPEARANCE OF THE TWO DOCUMENTS IS NOT
DIRECTLY RELATED TO TWO RECENTLY REPORTED SPYING CASES--ONE
ALLEGEDLY ON BEHALF OF THE CIA AND BRITISH INTELLIGENCE SERVICE AND
THE OTHER ON BEHALF OF SYRIA--THOSE CASES AND THE LOSS OF DOCUMENTS
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HAVE LED TO INSTITUTION OF NEW SECURITY MEASURES IN "CRITICAL"
MINISTRIES.

2. THE ARTICLE ALSO NOTES, "ACCORDING TO REPORTS GIVEN TO THE
GOVERNMENT BY THE SECURITY SERVICE, GENTS OF SOME NATO ALLIES
HAVE BEEN ENGAGED IN EXTENSIVE ACTIVITIES IN TURKEY". AS A RESULT,
ACCORDING TO THE HURRIYET ARTICLE, TURKEY'S COUNTER ESPIONAGE EFFORTS,

WHICH TRADITIONALLY ARE DIRECTED AGAINST EASTERN BLOC COUNTRIES, SOME ARAB STATES AND GREECE, HAVE NOW BEEN EXTENDED TO INCLUDE ALLIED COUNTRIES. THE ARTICLE ALLEGES THAT AGENTS OF WESTERN COUNTRIES BEGAN THEIR ACTIVITIES IN TURKEY WHEN, BECAUSE OF THE CYPRUS PROBLEM AND TURKISH RELATIONS, COOPERATION WITH WESTERN INTELLIGENCE SERVICES WAS FROZEN AND LIMITED TO SPECIFIC TOPICS.

3. THE ARTICLE ALSO CONTAINS AN ALLEGATION THAT SOME OF THE INFORMATION OBTAINED BY WESTERN AGENTS IN TURKEY WAS CONVEYED TO GREECE. IT ADDS THAT THIS INFORMATION WAS LEAKED PRIMARILY THROUGH DIPLOMATIC CHANNELS.
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